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THE ALSO-PANS: GUS HALL, ANGELA DAVIS, LYNDON LAROCHE, ETC.
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Republican Ronald Reagan and Democratic challenger Walter Mondale are getting almost all the campaign attention, but 15 other parties will have candidates on the presidential ballot next week in at least one state.

Communists Gus Hall and Angela Davis are among the frequent candidates. This is the fourth time Hall has run for president on the Communist Party-USA ticket. Ms. Davis joined him on the ticket in 1980, when they received 45,023 votes.

Ms. Davis became a cause celebre for Communists around the world when she was jailed for 16 months pending her 1972 trial on murder and kidnapping charges in a 1970 courthouse shootout in which four people were killed. The Soviet Union awarded her the Lenin Peace Prize in 1979.

Sonia Johnson, of the Citizens Party, is on the ballot in 17 states. She was excommunicated from the Mormon Church in 1979 for actively supporting the Equal Rights Amendment as a basis of constitutional protection of the rights of women. Ms. Johnson received 40 percent of the vote in 1982 in her second-place finish in the race for president of the National Organization for Women. Earlier this year she founded the Women's International Disarmament Alliance in Geneva.

Among other candidates:

David Bergland of the Libertarian Party is on the ballot in 38 states, the most for a third party this year. He says taxes are too high and government too big and promises to abolish the Central Intelligence Agency and five Cabinet departments.

Lyndon LaRouche Jr. founded the U.S. Labor Party in 1973, but has tried to run as Democrat in 1980 and 1984. He has accused Mondale and former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger of being Soviet agents, and he proposes vast engineering projects, like a second Panama Canal, a grand canal along the coast of China and a high-speed rail line across Africa. LaRouche is on the ballot as an independent in 18 states.

Bob Richards, who won the Olympic gold medal in pole vaulting in 1952 at Helsinki and in 1956 at Melbourne and who sold breakfast cereal for 15 years on American television, says the Democratic and Republican parties no longer represent the interests of the American people. He would halve government spending, cut bank interest rates to 4 percent and stop deficit spending. He represents the Populist Party on the ballot in 14 states.

Other parties include the Independent Alliance, 32 states; Socialist Workers, 22 states; Workers World, 10 states; Workers League, six states; Prohibition, six states; American, six states; National Unity, one state; Big Deal, one state; United Sovereign Citizens, one state; and Conservative, one state.